Welcome to Year 5 Autumn Term 2024



A very warm welcome to all parents and carers of children in Year 5. We are sure your child is going to have a wonderful year with us. Please find below lots of useful information about the new term. If you have any questions or if there is anything you are unsure about please don't hesitate to contact us via email. We are looking forward to working closely with you and your child and we value your continued support.

Class Teachers	5AC Mrs Alcock - debbie.alcock@robertmiles.notts.sch.uk (Monday - Wednesday) 5AC Mrs Chamberlain - sarah.chamberlain@robertmiles.notts.sch.uk (Wednesday - Friday)
	5G Miss Garbett - freya.garbett@robertmiles.notts.sch.uk
	Mrs Tang—English groups Mon-Thurs mornings
Teaching Assistants	Mrs Sykes-Ellis, Mrs Thacker, Mrs White, Mrs Mason, Miss Hallett and Mrs Donovan
Homework	Reading: at least 4 times a week, please sign Home School Diary to show your child has read Spellings: handed out on a Friday for a test the following Friday Homework: A piece of consolidation work will be handed out every Friday to be handed in the following Wednesday (this will be further practice of work already covered in class)
	Times Tables Rockstars: Regular times tables practice, little and often, always helps
Home School Diary	Your child has a brand new Home School Diary with lots of important information in. Please help your child look to after this and bring it into school every day as we will use it in class.
PE	5AC Tuesday and Wednesday 5G Wednesday and Friday PE kits need to be in school all week. Children will develop skills in tag rugby and athletics.
English	Our class text will be Coraline by Neil Gaiman. We will be investigating a range of different settings where characters are transported from one world to another. Children will then write their own stories using effective openings , endings and a change of setting . Four days a week there will be a dedicated reading session focusing on the teaching of comprehension skills through a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry.
Maths	We will cover place value of numbers up to 1 million which will include reading and writing numbers, comparing, ordering and rounding. We will also practise the formal methods of column addition and subtraction up to five digit numbers.
Geography	Our first Geography topic will be exploring the wonders of mountains , volcanoes and earthquakes . We will investigate how they are formed and their impact on humans.
Science	This half term, our topic is forces where we will see them in action through a range of practical experiments. Next half term, we will explore the wonders of space and the incredible solar system.
Computing	We will be using Scratch to design, write and debug programmes using computer-coding knowledge in the first half term. After half term, we will be developing our graphical drawing skills using Sketchpad .
Art	Our main topic will be based upon the artwork of Peter Thorpe , exploring a variety of paint techniques and creating stunning rockets in space.
PSHE	Our PSHE topics this term are Being Me in My World and Celebrating Differences . These themes are explored in weekly jigsaw lessons and through whole school assemblies.
RE	After half term we will be exploring values and what is important to us. We will discuss the principles for living from a variety of religions, explore guidelines at home and school and see how our choices impact our behaviour and our community.
French/Music	French will be taught by Mrs Alcock and music by Mrs Brown on alternating Fridays.
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